

Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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REMARKS

The following remarks are made in response to the Final Office Action mailed February 16, 2006. Claims 22-25, 27 and 28 have been allowed. Claim 26 was rejected. With this Response, claim 26 has been canceled. Claims 22-25 and 27-28 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the Office Action, claim 26 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yen (U.S. Patent No. 6,382,617) in view of Joyce (U.S. Patent No. 5,626,225) and Winberg (U.S. Patent No. 6,026,776).

Applicant has canceled claim 26, thereby obviating the rejection. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

Allowable Subject Matter

Allowed claims 22-25 and 27-28 are the only pending claims in this application. For these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claims 22-25 and 27-28, and issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 22-25 and 27-28 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of claims 22-25 and 27-28 is respectfully requested.

No fees are required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16(h)(i). However, if such fees are required, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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